Table 20. Weather Summary, Selected U.S. Cities (Population Weighted Heating Degree-Days¹)

Weather data reported in the Weekly Petroleum Status Report are taken directly from a computerized system implemented by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)/NWS, as a U.S. Government Agency, does not endorse any consumer information services.

The weather for the Nation, as measured by population-weighted heating degree-days from July 1, 2002, through April 19, 2003, has been 14 percent cooler than last year and 4 percent warmer than normal.

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¹See Glossary.

*** = Normal heating degree-days or less, or ratio incalculable.

Note: The total heating degree-days for the previous heating season (July 1, 2000 - June 30, 2001) was 4,850 and the normal is 4,575. A new method for calculating heating/cooling degree days was implemented by the Climate Analysis Center in October 1993, with further refinements implemented in November 1993. The routines incorporate 1961-1990 normals supplied by the National Climatic Data Center, and 1990 census data for calculation of population weighted degree days.